

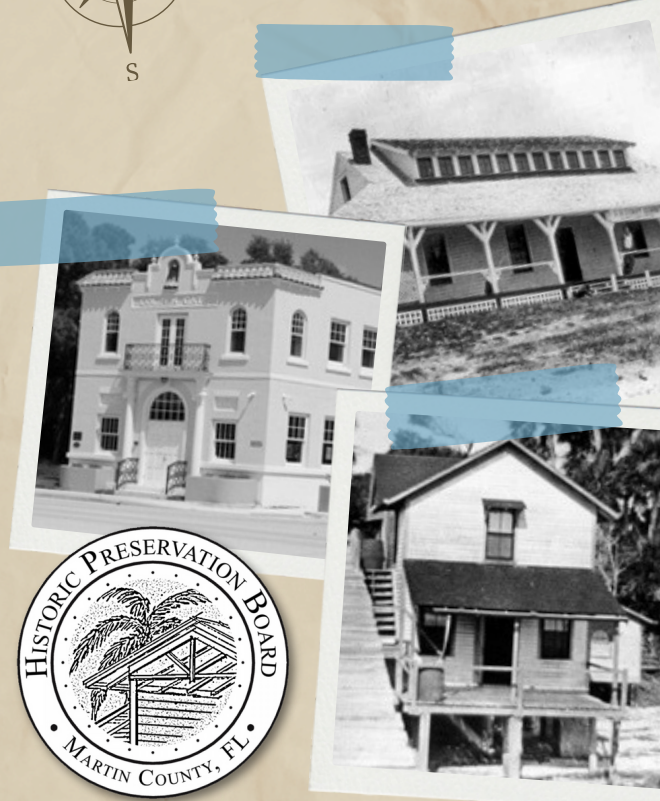
## Be a Part of History!

- **Invest in Our Legacy:** Purchase a Historic Property
- **Make History Official:** Apply for Historic Registry Status
- **Share Your Skills:** Volunteer with Us
- **Support Our Mission:** Make a Donation
- **Partner with Us:** Become a Business Sponsor
- **Be a Leader:** Join the Historic Preservation Board
- **Speak Up:** Advocate for Historic Preservation in Your Community and Elect Leaders Who Value Our Heritage
- **Celebrate with Us:** Attend Historic Preservation Month Events
- **Explore Local Landmarks and Bring Family and Friends Along!**



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# PAST TO PRESENT:

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN MARTIN COUNTY

## Preserving History

The Martin County Historic Preservation Board was created in 2003 when the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) adopted its Historic Preservation Ordinance. The Board is a group of citizens appointed by the BOCC to assist in implementing the ordinance. Duties include designating structures more than 50 years old to the Martin County Register of Historic Landmarks, and promoting awareness of the benefits of historic preservation. The board has helped preserve valuable local history by designating historic structures such as The Mansion at Tuckahoe, House of Refuge, Captain Sewall's House, the Salerno Colored School and the Golden Gate Building. The Board also coordinates the annual Historic Preservation Month each May to educate the public about Martin County's historic treasures.

## Our Mission

The mission of the Martin County Historic Preservation Board is to advance the local designation of the county's historic structures and landmarks in order to raise awareness of the importance of the county's architectural and archaeological legacy to community identity and the preservation of Martin County's unique past.



Martin County was established on May 30, 1925, at the peak of Florida's land boom. Just a year later, the iconic Stuart Welcome Arch rose to celebrate this vibrant new county. Restored to its original charm in November 2006, the Arch now proudly stands as a piece of history on the National Historic Register.

## Explore Local Landmarks



Scan the QR code for a virtual tour of Martin County's historic landmarks and uncover its rich heritage—all from your phone!

## Historic Designation

Historic designation preserves the unique heritage of your property, enhancing its value and appeal while safeguarding its legacy for future generations. Designated properties may qualify for tax incentives, grant opportunities, and receive support from the Historic Preservation Board for appropriate restorations. Plus, designation typically boosts property values without increasing taxes or mandating costly restorations. Celebrate and protect your property's history—consider the benefits of historic designation!



Scan the QR code to learn more about how to become historically designated and begin your application today!

